

Windham County & Vicinity.

All the News in the Reformer's Bailiwick as Gathered by a Score of Special Correspondents.

HINSDALE.

Ralph Amidon spent Sunday with friends at Keene.

Mrs. Frank Elliot is very ill at her home on Kilburn street.

P. Frank Amidon of Wilton spent a few days in town last week.

Miss Elsie Carlisle of Winchester visited friends in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll McDonald have moved into the Dix place on Stebbins avenue.

A dancing school will be opened for the season at G. A. R. hall next Thursday evening.

Wednesday evening, Dec. 2, is the date fixed by the Methodist ladies for their annual fair.

The household goods of the late Mrs. Ferrin were sold at auction in the rear of the hotel Saturday.

Dr. C. A. Gray was one of the honorary bearers at the funeral of Dr. Evans at Winchester Friday.

Edward Stebbins has added a covered stairway to his newly fitted-up barn on F. H. Fuller's store.

G. P. Slate has opened a grain and feed store in the block on Church street recently occupied by the printing office.

Miss Nellie Gray came home from Boston Monday evening and will enjoy a few weeks' rest before taking up private nursing.

Lester Booth of Orange and friend Ralph Jackson of Easthampton came up to the Halloween dance and spent Sunday at W. G. Booth's.

Mr. and Mrs. Comstock returned to their home in Burlington Monday after spending several weeks at Charles Owen's on High street.

"Samantha Allen at the Court of Fame" will be presented by the Ladies' Guild of the Universalist church Thursday evening, Nov. 12.

The members of Naomi chapter, O. E. S., held a fair at the town hall Thursday. A harvest dinner was served at noon and a supper at night.

Miss Katherine Healy has given up her position in Keyou's store and has secured the position of assistant book-keeper with the Hall & Frost Mfg. Co.

The annual inspection of the Woman's Relief corps which was to have taken place Thursday evening was postponed on account of illness of the inspecting officer.

The Foresters will give a ball Thanksgiving evening and the date has been decided upon Jan. 15 as the first of their annual ball which will be a masquerade this year.

The junior and sophomore classes of the high school gave a very successful Halloween party and dance at the town hall Friday evening. Nearly all the members of the school and a large number of their guests were in fancy dress and masked and some of the costumes were unusually good.

Leising's orchestra at Brattleboro furnished music for the dancing, which was continued till 1 o'clock. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served in the dining-room between the hours of ten and eleven. The tables were well filled. The receipts amounted to \$110 and after expenses were paid about \$70 was cleared.

SPOFFORD.

Mr. Slade is improving his residence by painting it.

Mrs. Joseph Holt's sister, Mrs. Jane Howard of Westford, died Friday and was buried Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Leach of Hinsdale visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perley York of South Keene were in town Saturday.

Frank Scott and family are visiting his wife's parents in Richmond.

Misses F. B. Pierce and Jerome Wright of Keene were in town Sunday.

Mrs. Thomas Johnson of Springfield, Mass., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Slade.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Atherton and daughter of Rutland, Vt., called on friends here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hamilton and son Guy of Keene spent Sunday with her father, James Farwell.

Mr. and Mrs. William Atherton visited relatives in Orange and other towns in Massachusetts last week.

Misses Braley and Barrett, teachers at the center of the town, visited with Mrs. Sarah Farwell Saturday and Sunday.

At the last general meeting Oct. 27, the third and fourth degrees were conferred on two candidates and a harvest supper was enjoyed. The lecturer presented a first class entertainment. District Deputy Spaulding and wife were present for his yearly inspection and found everything in fine condition. Visitors were present from New York who took part in the entertainment. This grand harvest supper running sixteen years and its future prospects were never brighter than at present.

CHESTERFIELD.

The rain of Thursday was greatly needed and much more besides.

The apple crop appears to have been large, judging from the loads taken to market.

Chesterfield house is nearly ready for occupancy. Mr. Ware's brother, Frank, is spending a few weeks here.

Harry Spaulding and a friend from Keene spent some days recently with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Spaulding.

Mr. and Mrs. Simonds of Lynn, Mass., took a carriage drive to this place last week to visit her sister, Mrs. A. M. Davis. Mr. Davis is driving stage to Keene and has Mr. Carr, a first class blacksmith from Worcester, Mass. to work in the shop.

The M. E. ladies held their annual fair at town hall Wednesday evening with gratifying results. Entertainment by school children and teachers was very fine and was received with great

applause. The "whippoorwill song" was very other number. The whippoorwill was obligingly sung by Miss Barnett with sweet and melodious. They were fortunate in having so lovely a night as a delay of one day would probably have been disastrous.

WEST CHESTERFIELD.

Mrs. Charles Warwick spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Farr.

Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Farr have gone to keeping house in Greenfield, Mass.

Rev. F. Roscoe will preach here next Sunday at 2 o'clock in view of preaching here and at Westmoreland for a year.

The Alpha male quartet of Keene will give a concert here before the anniversary dance, Nov. 12. They come highly recommended.

The Y. P. C. U. circle will meet with Mrs. Alice Randall Saturday afternoon at church in Brattleboro. She is desirous that they wish to hold their festival in December.

WESTMORELAND.

Erdix Britton spent Sunday at his mother's.

Miss Carrie Bennett is home from Fitchburg and will be in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Brown return to Boston this week.

Charles Stone of Chelsea, Mass., spent Sunday at his summer home.

Miss Ellen Stone went to Keene to visit Mabel Holland before returning to Chelsea.

Mrs. O. Bennett has returned to her home having visited in several different towns in Massachusetts.

Waldo Hall killed three hedgehogs one day last week and a young companion killed two the same day.

Mrs. Lamson Farr has a trained nurse, Miss Harriet Green, who is very much better, we are pleased to say.

Mrs. S. A. Farr who has been stopping at her cousin's, E. M. Green's, for the past year was called to Townshend, Mass., to attend the funeral of her cousin, Miss Powers.

EAST DUMMERSTON.

Clark Bemis of Wardsboro is at C. O. Reed's.

Mrs. Eliza Randall has returned to her home in East Dummerston.

Farmers are improving the beautiful weather, getting ready to sow.

Albert T. Reed is busy making cider at his mill on the C. O. Reed farm.

Mrs. Marcia Dix started Wednesday for Baltimore, Md., where she will spend the winter as usual.

The schools close this week for the autumn vacation of three weeks. We congratulate the teachers on having had excellent schools, creditable to teachers and pupils.

The teachers are leaving for their homes, Miss Purple to Gill, Mass., Miss Laws to Springfield, and Miss White to Woodstock. It is hoped they will return for the winter schools.

The next social dance at Johnson's hall will be held Friday evening, Nov. 6. Mr. Johnson has recently placed in his hall a piano, which was used for the first time at the dance last week. Mrs. Davenport of Putney was pianist.

George A. Sheldon and family returned to their residence in Greenfield, Mass., this week. Two summers spent on the farm here, have made such improvement in Mr. Sheldon's health that he hopes to be able to resume business, which he was obliged to leave for recuperation.

JAMAICA.

Preaching at East Jamaica Sunday afternoon.

There have been quite a number of fires in woods lately.

Electric lights have been removed from the farm here, having made such improvement in Mr. Sheldon's health that he hopes to be able to resume business, which he was obliged to leave for recuperation.

The meetings in the Baptist church conducted by Evangelist Lingley of Newfane were very helpful.

Electric lights have been placed in the Congregational church and will, as soon as time permits, be placed in the Baptist church.

One week ago Monday, Mrs. Barnes, wife of Wm. Barnes, was laid to rest. She had been quite sick for sometime. Services were held at the Baptist church of which she was long a faithful member.

EAST JAMAICA.

Fred Good is boarding at C. W. Dunbar's.

E. Glendon visited at N. F. Pierce's the last of the week.

Mrs. Stella Howard of Wardsboro is at her sister's, Mrs. C. E. Symonds's.

Mrs. M. W. Howard and son returned to their home in Brattleboro Friday. Mrs. H. E. Howard accompanied them, returning home Monday evening.

BROOKLINE.

A. O. Wellman is spending the week in Athens.

Nelson Smith moves this week into the new house vacated by Prentiss Carr.

Herman Howe of Newfane has engaged the tenement of R. C. Marsh and will take possession this week.

An oyster supper this Friday evening at the Baptist parlor, under the direction of the Ladies' Benevolent society.

Mrs. Augusta Bailey who has been staying with her daughter, Mrs. F. L. Potwine, returns this week to her home in Brattleboro.

Freddie Farr who has been employed in Pierce's chair shop moves his family to Williamsville this week where Mr. Carr takes a position in Arthur Merrifield's mill.

N. E. Barnes has sold a tract of timber including his sugar lot to F. L. Pierce, thus cutting off a good lot from the production of maple sugar. Appearances indicate that Mr. Pierce intends to increase his business. New hands are being added to his force of employees.

WILLIAMSVILLE.

Rev. D. H. Sawyer of Sharon, Mass., will preach at the Methodist church here Sunday morning and at East Dover Sunday afternoon.

Vernon Manley's Horse.

Editor of Reformer:—On page five of your issue of Oct. 16 you printed an item concerning Mrs. Powers and a horse owned by me. Your item is an outrageous lie, being false and slanderous. Please correct or retract your paper. If you wish to publish your truth I will give it to you straight.

V. C. Manley.

The item referred to stated that Mrs. Powers shot Mr. Manley's horse in Dummerston, and that the horse was in a bad condition, evidently with glanders, and was too aged to eat. Mr. Manley says the horse could eat but could not eat hay, and that he made a post-mortem examination of the horse, and found no symptom of glanders, only a slight fever; further that the reason he allowed Mrs. Powers to kill the horse was because he was threatened with criminal prosecution if he didn't.

TOWNSHEND.

Mrs. G. E. Davidson is stopping at Dr. Osgood's.

Wednesday afternoon, the Dorcas guild met with Mrs. Baker.

Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Gale and Wilmer Turner were taken into the Congregational church.

M. H. Twitchell of Kingston, Canada, is setting up a fine granite family monument in the Oakwood cemetery.

At the invitation of Rev. G. H. Baker and wife, the Congregational church and society spent a pleasant social evening at their home Monday evening. Games were played and light refreshments served.

A Long Life Ended.

Mrs. Oressa B. Holbrook died early Wednesday after a short illness at the advanced age of 85 years. Mrs. Holbrook was born in Brattleboro and was the oldest of seven children. At the age of six years, her parents moved back to the old farm in Townshend, which has been in the family since before the Revolutionary war. She joined the Congregational church in 1828, and has ever been a faithful member, and as long as she was able a constant attendant at church. In 1836 she married Harvey Holbrook, and lived for a while on what is now the Greenwood place, but returned later to her father's old home. The last years of her life have been spent in the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. B. Brigham. While not able to walk during the last five years on account of an injury, she has been remarkably well preserved for a woman of her age. She is survived by her daughter and two brothers, the latter living in the west. The funeral will be held Friday at 1 o'clock.

WEST TOWNSHEND.

Llewellyn Kent shot a deer last week.

Miss Whitney of Townshend has been at E. W. Holden's.

Earl Hadlock of Somerville, Mass., has been visiting his brothers.

Mrs. Jane Perkins of Brattleboro was the guest of Mrs. C. J. Switzer last week.

WEST TOWNSHEND.

W. T. Wheeler is building a new barn and George Dompier has shingled his buildings.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Farnsworth of Saxton's River are visiting at John Dompier's.

Miss Myra Hardy began school in the Catholic school here Monday. After a vacation of one week.

Misses Florence Follett and Sylvia Derry of Townshend have been guests at Rev. M. F. Hardy's.

Elliot Jenkinson has left the Prentiss Carr farm and is living with his daughter, Mrs. E. W. Holden.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dresser and son Harry of Farley, Mass., have been visiting at W. A. Lawrence's.

WESTMINSTER.

Hand your items to E. L. Finton, please.

Nine Italians moved from here to South Deerfield, Mass., Monday.

Mrs. G. H. Walker returned Wednesday from a week's visit in Londonderry.

Charles Gates of Boston came up Saturday and is gathering cream for Charles Peck.

Alfred Hammond left Monday for Boston to try to learn the electrician's trade.

Miss Edna Winchester of Keene, N. H., spent several days with Miss Thomas last week.

Mrs. Owens returned to her home in South Deerfield, Mass., Saturday.

Mrs. E. C. Chapin and granddaughters of Holyoke, Mass., are visiting with the family of J. E. Leach.

Miss Grace Leman is expected home from Southbury, Conn., by a Paippen wharf boat, Monday.

Dr. D. G. Underwood of Bradford, N. H., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Underwood, and other friends over Sunday.

About 26 of our young people went out to Thomas Ashwell's Saturday evening to a hot hunking party. They report a good time.

WARDSBORO.

Jap. Benson has moved to Bondville to run a boarding house.

Mrs. Lizzie Barber of Townshend is visiting her father, L. A. Whitcomb.

Mrs. Maria Johnson went to Brattleboro Friday to see her mother, Mrs. Abbie Kilburn of Brattleboro spent the last of the week with Miss Annie Whitcomb.

A company of young people attended a Halloween party at Mr. Hamlin's Saturday evening.

Dorr Plimpton who has been here on a guest trip has returned to his home in Somerville, Mass.

Fred Underwood has gone to Putney to meet his wife who has been visiting her sister in Barre.

Dexter Wait has finished painting Mrs. M. W. Howard's house and has returned to Brattleboro.

Leroy Webster of South Wardsboro has moved on to the Jonas Allen farm and is cutting lumber for Mr. Walton.

The A. Z. club will meet with Mrs. Milton Perry Thursday afternoon, Nov. 12. The work will be sewing. All are cordially invited.

Walton Fletcher who went to the Massachusetts General hospital two weeks' ago has been moved to his aunt's, Mrs. Lucia Gates's. He remains about the same.

WEST WARDSBORO.

Mr. Dexter of Troy, N. H., is stopping at the hotel.

Lucius Haskins and family and J. Sherman of Worcester, Mass., have been staying at M. S. Temperance's.

The Sunday school of Temperance concert was a success in every way and over 150 people were present. Messrs. Morgan and Howard from Wardsboro added much to the musical part of the program and the children and young people gave a large variety of songs and recitations which were well rendered and well received. Pastor Nichols gave short talk and Mrs. Nichols who had charge, thanked all who had attended and invited all to come to Sunday school.

The ladies of this vicinity were invited to meet with Mrs. H. A. White Friday and they returned to their homes. Mrs. R. A. Nichols was elected chairman of a business meeting and Mrs. E. O. Robinson secretary. It was decided to organize a society for work and the same was done under the name of the Ladies' Social circle. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Pres., Mrs. M. L. Rice; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. M. L. Johnson; directors, Mrs. E. O. Robinson, Mrs. L. B. Kendall and W. H. Forester. The next meeting was held yesterday at F. E. Adams's after which they will meet but once in two weeks.

The largest island in the world is Australia. It is 2500 miles in length, from east to west, and measures 1550 miles, north and south. Its area is 2,542,337 square miles. The sales of the G. O. Taylor Pure Rye Whiskies are among the largest of similar goods in this country, unsurpassed in accuracy. It's the name on the label and over the cork. Sealed bottles only.

S. O. Taylor Whiskies, impart strength and vigor.

JACKSONVILLE.

M. W. Lynde was in town Monday. F. L. Woodard has been very low since he was confined at Whittingham.

Mrs. Slate recently gave a birthday party to those over 70.

Warren Wilson was at Mrs. Putnam's the first of the week.

Mrs. Laura Boyd is to stay with Mrs. Maranda Faulkner this winter.

The northern lights displayed Saturday evening were very bright.

Many from here attended the funeral Sunday of A. Chase at Whittingham.

The Eastern Star is invited to the Mary Lyon chapter at Shelburne Falls.

W. A. Wilcox returned Friday from several weeks business trip to Canada and the middle west.

The Ladies' Aid meets next week Wednesday at F. C. Barker's. Young people's entertainment in evening.

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WILMINGTON.

Miss Florence Pike is at work in the Times office.

Mrs. Mary Morgan has rented her tenement to John McDade.

O. E. Butterfield has been in Glasbury on business this week.

M. W. Stickey of Rutland has removed his household goods to this place.

The ladies of the Universalist church held their annual fair Tuesday at Memorial hall. Good attendance, pleasant time as usual and about \$100 realized.

Frank G. Chaffin returned from California Tuesday. He expresses himself as highly pleased with the country but has not fully decided whether he will remove or not.

Hallowe'en was duly observed. Several parties were held and the younger element did not forget to play the usual pranks in the way of changing signs, etc., during the night.

The regular meeting of Social lodge was held Tuesday evening, at which the union exercises under direction of Carl S. Barnard. A number of the members of Unity lodge, Jacksonville, were present.

The Methodist church was filled to its capacity Sunday evening to enjoy the union exercises under direction of the W. C. T. U. Recitations, musical selections formed the program and each number was excellent and thoroughly appreciated by the audience.

The hearing of the case state vs. R. P. Trutter Jr. on the charge of furnishing intoxicating liquor to Jackson Barlow was held Saturday Oct. 31, at the office of O. E. Butterfield. Charles S. Chase appeared for the respondent. The